

Waste & Enforcement Team Congressional Activities: Outlook for Week of February 11, 2013

Hearings:

n/a

Meetings/Briefings:

February 13, 2013 – Conference call with Representative Bobby Rush (D-IL-01) staff to discuss status of Pavillion, WY investigation. **(R8, ORD)**

February 15, 2013 - OMB will host a conference call to discuss the DoD legislative proposal (#131) titled Modernization of the Ammunition Storage Board. The purpose of this call will be to provide an opportunity for DoD and EPA to discuss the legislative proposal at senior policy levels and identify a compromise position on the proposal. **(OSWER)**

Rollouts:

n/a

113th Congress LEGISLATION

Senate:

S.68 – “Secure Chemical Facilities Act” introduced on January 23, 2013 by Sen. Frank Lautenberg, (D-NJ) and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs. This bill will modify and make permanent the authority of the Secretary of Homeland Security to regulate security practices at chemical facilities.

House:

H.R. 311-“Farmers Undertake Environmental Land Stewardship Act” introduced on January 18, 2013 by Rep. Rick Crawford (R-AR) and referred to the House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure. The FUELS Act directs the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency to change the Spill Prevention, Control, and Countermeasure rule to consider a producer's risk when it comes to maintaining costly oil storage facilities.

H.R.334 -“Keystone for a Secure Tomorrow Act” introduced on January 22, 2013 by Rep Ted Poe (R-TX) and referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, and in addition to the Committees on Energy and Commerce, and Natural Resources. This bill aims to approve the Keystone XL Pipeline Project Permit.

H.R.373 -“Oil Pollution Research and Development Program Reauthorization Act of 2013” introduced on January 23, 2013 by Rep Lois Capps (D-CA) and referred to the House Committee on Science, Space, and Technology. This bill amends the Oil Pollution Act of 1990

to revise provisions concerning the Interagency Coordinating Committee on Oil Pollution Research and revises Committee membership.